

JANUARY 2022 Sunrise over Silos by Daniel Burhop, Mankato

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2	Work Session 6 pm	4	5	6	7	8
9	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm	11	12	Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	14	15
16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day City offices closed	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	25	26	27	28	29
30	31		Planning Commission 6:30 pm			

Sign-up for Online Bill Pay

Mankato's automatic bill pay system helps make paying City utility bills simple. The system is:

- Secure.
- Fast and convenient.
- Available 24-hours a day.
- Able to show current and past billing information.
- Equipped with an autopay option.
- Paperless and a green choice.

Customers can sign-up online through the customer portal.

mankatomn.gov/payonline

Utility Bill

mankatomn.gov/utilities

The City utility bill consists of any City or contracted services (such as garbage collection), administrative fees, or one-time fees that are administered on the monthly utility bill. An entire list of monthly utility rates for the current year and other important information about utility bills may be viewed online.

FEBRU/ARY 2022 Blue Earth County Countriouse Looking Up by Aiden Gravelle, Vernon Center

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Black Hist	tory Month					
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	Work Session 6 pm			Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm		
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	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm					
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Mankato's City Council

Mankato's City Council consists of one Council Member for each of the City's five wards, an At-Large Council Member and a Mayor. Members serve staggered, four-year terms.

Meeting agendas, information and live and past council meetings can be viewed online.

mankatomn.gov/citycouncil

Get Involved with Local Government

City of Mankato community members can apply to serve on advisory boards and commissions, which make recommendations to the City Manager and City Council on specific topics.

Online applications are available or contact the City Clerk at 507-387-8690.

Positions are filled by the City Council when vacancies occur, and applications are kept on file for two years.

City of Mankato boards and commissions:

- Heritage Preservation Commission
- Local Board of Appeal and Equalization
- Planning Commission
- Public Safety Advisory Committee

mankatomn.gov/commissions



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6	7 Work Session 6 pm	8	9	Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	11	12
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27	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	29	30	31	FEBRUARY 2022 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	APRIL 2022 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Permits and Licenses

Permits and licenses are needed for certain types of projects to ensure safety standards are being met. Businesses, contractors and residents may need a permit or license depending on the work or project being done:

- Building and construction
- Commercial
- Events
- Parking permits
- Plumbing
- Public safety
- Rental
- City utilities

Many applications are available to download online.

mankatomn.gov/permits

Inspections

Inspections are done to ensure existing buildings and new construction align with the Uniform Building Code and other regulations. These codes provide minimum safety standards by regulating and controlling design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location and maintenance of buildings, structures and certain equipment.

Many inspection documents are available online.

mankatomn.gov/inspections



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10	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm	12	13	14. Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23
24	25 Council Meeting 6 pm	26	27 Planning Commission	28	29	30
	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following		6:30 pm		Arbor Day	

311 Mankato

Customers can pay utility bills, make rent payments, purchase bus passes, complete animal registration, request service changes and more with Mankato's 311 staff. Open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday, 311 Mankato can be reached in a variety of ways including in-person, phone, chat, email and online requests.

Report an Issue

Report graffiti, potholes, street light issues, water leaks or needed road maintenance.

mankatomn.gov/report

Subscribe to News

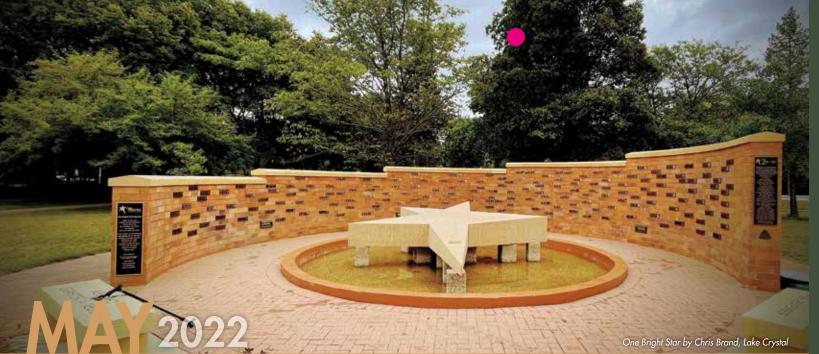
Sign up to receive City of Mankato news by email or follow City social media pages to stay up-to-date on the latest happenings in Mankato.

mankatomn.gov/subscribe

Stay Connected

Watch for ways to stay connected with the City of Mankato by participating in public engagement opportunities such as photo contests, scavenger hunts and poster contests.

mankatomn.gov/connectwithus



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Water Main Flushing May 1-6	2 MANKAT () Lacking the mag. mankatomin.gov Work Session 6 pm	3	4	5	6	7
8	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm	10	11	Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	13	14
National Public Works Week May 15-21	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	24	Planning Commission 6:30 pm	26	27	28
29	Memorial Day City offices closed No garbage/ recycling collection	Monday's garbage/recycling collected	S M T W T F S 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 5 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	Asian Pacific H	deritage Month

Garbage and Recycling Services

Mankato's curbside garbage and recycling program is designed to reduce waste and increase recycling.

- Garbage is collected on the same day each week. Recycling is collected every other week.
- Extra garbage tags are available at the Intergovernmental Center, 10 Civic Center Plaza, and local grocery stores for \$3.50 per tag.
- Three cart sizes are available: 35, 65 and 95-gallon. Recycling carts must be the same size or larger than the garbage cart.

mankatomn.gov/garbageandrecycling

Recycle Smart

Recycle right and reduce contamination:

- Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper, glass and cardboard.
- Keep food and liquid out of the recycling.
- Keep recyclables loose in the cart.
- Place plastic bags in the garbage because they are not recyclable.

mankatomn.gov/recyclesmart

Annual Clean-up

Eligible residents may dispose of unwanted items at no additional cost during Mankato's Annual Clean-up, typically held in May. Information about dates, eligibility, accepted items and more can be found online.

mankatomn.gov/annualcleanup



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	Work Session 6 pm			Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm		
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Every Drop Counts

The City of Mankato is dedicated to creating sustainable programs to help protect and manage water resources through conservation efforts.

Lawn Watering Conservation Program*

Mankato's lawn watering conservation program limits lawn watering based on street addresses:

- Even-numbered street addresses may water on even-numbered days.
- Odd-numbered street addresses may water on odd-numbered days.

Watering hours are also limited to before 11 am or after 6 pm.

*This program may change based on weather's impact on water supply.

Conservation Tips

- Stop dripping faucets, which can waste about 2,000 gallons of water each year.
- Leaky toilets can waste as much as 200 gallons a day. To check for leaks, place food coloring in the toilet tank. Do not flush. There is a leak if color is seen in the toilet bowl.
- Turn off water while brushing teeth to save 25 gallons a month.
- Run dishwasher when full to save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
- Shorten showers by a minute to save up to 150 gallons per month.

mankatomn.gov/waterconservation

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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following		Planning Commission 6:30 pm			

Parks and Recreation

A variety of parks, trails and recreational opportunities are available for residents and visitors to enjoy throughout the City of Mankato. Some recreational opportunities include:

- Basketball courts
- Campground
- Fishing piers
- Nature areas
- Outdoor exercise equipment
- Picnic areas
- Playgrounds
- Seasonal ice rinks
- Softball and baseball diamonds
- Swimming areas
- Walking and hiking trails

mankatomn.gov/parks

Facility Reservations

Several Mankato parks feature reservable shelters and facilities.

- Picnic shelters can be reserved at: Alexander, Buscher, Erlandson, Highland, Hiniker, Kiwanis, Sibley and Tourtellotte parks.
- Available facilities include Caledonia Community Center, Floyd Roberts Jr. Pavilion and Sibley Park Pavilion.
- Athletic fields/courts (baseball, softball, volleyball) may be reserved.

mankatomn.gov/parkreservations



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	Work Session 6 pm	Night to Unite	3	RibFest August 4-7	5	6
7	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm	9	10	Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	23	Planning Commission 6:30 pm	25	Photo contest entries due at 4:30 p.m.	27
28	29	30	31		JULY 2022 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 9 20 21 22 23 24/51 25 26 27 28 29 30	SEPTEMBER 2022 S M T W T F S

Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center

A premier center for meetings and entertainment, the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center is located in the heart of the City Center. A range of events are hosted in the venue's spaces:

- Arena: With a seating capacity of up to 6,500, the arena is used for concerts, collegiate hockey games and large trade shows.
- Grand Hall: Used for concerts, trade shows, conventions, banquets, holiday parties and large-scale community events. There is seating capacity for up to 2,000.
- Convention Center: Large tournaments, conferences, weddings and receptions utilize this space, which is equipped with a ballroom, the historic Ellerbe Room and four large breakout rooms.

mayoclinichealthsystemeventcenter.com

Vetter Stone Amphitheater

On the banks of the Minnesota River, the Vetter Stone Amphitheater in Riverfront Park is the perfect venue for outdoor summer festivities and is home to the popular local festival, RibFest, which attracts more than 20,000 people annually. The Vetter Stone Amphitheater also hosts concerts and community events with a seated capacity of 3,300.

Vetterstoneamphitheater.com

SEPTEMBER 2022 Reflections by Tanner Lucijens, Mankato

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25	Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	27	Planning Commission 6:30 pm	29	30	MANKAT () Leeding the veg mankatomn.gov

Community Investment Plan

Since limited funding is available, Mankato's Community Investment Plan (CIP) is developed as a multi-year plan to identify, prioritize, budget and plan major City projects and improvements. Through advanced planning, staff and elected officials can work together to manage growth efforts that are aimed to maintain and enhance the existing community.

Public input is important and helpful when identifying and prioritizing City projects. The CIP can be viewed online and public input can be provided in several ways:

- CIP Open House, typically held in September.
- Call 311 or 507-387-8600.
- Write to:
 City of Mankato
 Attention: Public Information
 10 Civic Center Plaza
 Mankato, MN 56001
- Give input at a City Council meeting.

City projects and improvements include:

- Facilities
- Major projects and purchases, such as airport improvements and city vehicles
- Parks
- Streets
- Technology
- Utilities

mankatomn.gov/CIP



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Water Main Flushing October 2-7	Work Session 6 pm					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
National Fire Prevention Week October 9-15	Indigenous Peoples' Day Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm			Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm		
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23	24 Council Meeting 6 pm Work Session following	25	26	27	28	29
30	31		Planning Commission 6:30 pm			

Public Safety

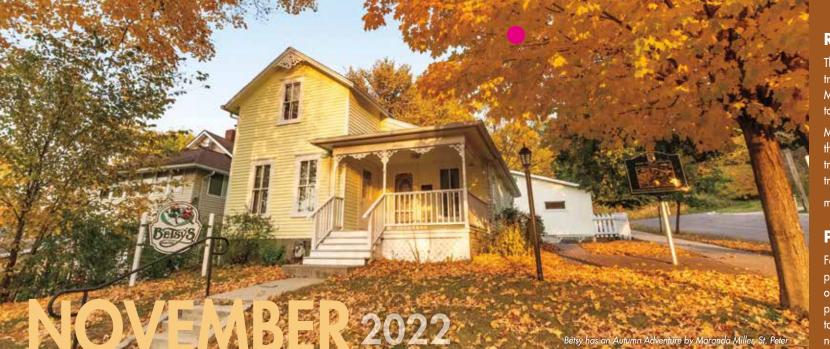
Mankato's Department of Public Safety is a combined team of police and fire services. The benefit of combining fire and police services is to create a skilled team focused on collective community safety.

Staff and time are used effectively and efficiently, rapid response to emergencies is provided, and shared supervision, training, data and facilities results in cost efficiencies. Although combined, firefighters and police officers retain their traditional and distinct job functions.

Transparency and Data Sharing

A comprehensive collection of data has been compiled to create an online, transparent Public Safety dashboard that includes:

- Public Safety data and policies
- Hiring and training standards
- Cultural competency and diversity information
- Conduct, performance and complaints processes
- Crisis response efforts
- Safety and crime prevention tips mankatomn.gov/publicsafety



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Ride the Bus with Us

The Mankato Transit System is a public transportation resource within the Mankato area offering several options to support the community's travel needs.

Many routes are preset and available throughout Mankato. Real-time tracking, schedules, service alerts and a trip planner are available online.

mankatomn.gov/transit

Paratransit/Mobility

For those who are unable to access public transportation options because of a disability and are ADA eligible, paratransit services pick you up and take you where you need to go with next day trip scheduling.

The bus can transport up to two wheelchair passengers and 12 ambulatory passengers. Call 311 or 507-625-RIDE (7433) to schedule your ride.

mankatomn.gov/mobilitybus

Kato Flex

A curb-to-curb service, Kato Flex provides shared transportation to areas where there are little to no bus services connecting neighborhoods to the Mankato Transit System network.

Kato Flex operates in limited Flex Zone areas with next day trip scheduling.
Call 311 or 507-625-RIDE (7433) to schedule your ride.

mankatomn.gov/katoflex



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4	Public Budget Hearing 7 pm	6	7	Heritage Preservation Commission 4 pm	9	10
11	Economic Development Authority (EDA) 6 pm Council Meeting 7 pm	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Christmas Day	City offices closed Dakota Wokiksuye Memorial Ride	27	28	29	30	31

Snow and Ice Control

Clearing snow and ice from Mankato's streets and sidewalks quickly and efficiently is a goal for the City. The snow removal system is designed to be consistent, so residents know what to expect.

Streets are prioritized by type and use:

- Main roads, like those used by emergency vehicles, City buses or those with high traffic, are cleared first.
- Collector streets, which connect main roads and local streets, are next because they are the second busiest streets.
- Residential roads are third because they have the least amount of traffic.
- Finally, public sidewalks and trails are cleared.

mankatomn.gov/snow

Snow Emergencies

Snow emergencies are generally called after receiving three or more inches of snow and/or ice. During a snow emergency, there is no parking on Mankato streets so plows can clear the road from curb to curb.

Subscribe to snow emergency alerts or call the 24-hour snow emergency line at 507-387-9001.

mankatomn.gov/snowalerts

At Your Service Mankato City Council and City Manager



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Vision

Leading the way as a vibrant, diverse regional community.

Public Service Principles

Responsive – Prompt to respond and serve.

Efficient – Highest performance at greatest economy.

Greater good - Serve for the good of the community and region.

Innovation - Embracing new ideas and methods to improve service delivery.

Open - Spirit of accessibility in policy making and operation.

Neighborly - Concern and compassion for others.

Core Values

Positive Attitude

We take a positive approach, show initiative and a willingness to improve. We take pride in the work we do.

Accountability

We take responsibility for our actions and the completion of our work.

Respect

We treat everyone with courtesy and dignity and value their perspectives, acknowledging our differences.

Teamwork

Together, we collaborate on ideas and share information, resources and responsibility for the best possible outcomes.

Integrity

We lead by example by being honest, doing the right think and following through. Our actions reflect our words.

Connect with Us

311 Mankato

Customers can pay utility bills, make rent payments, purchase bus tokens, complete animal registration, request service changes and more with 311 Mankato.

Hours

Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

In-person

Intergovernmental Center 10 Civic Center Plaza Mankato, Minn., 56001

Phone

311 or 507-387-8600

Online Customer Request Form

Submit an online customer request form at mankatomn.gov/CustomerService.

Email

Email 311@mankatomn.gov.

Live Chat

Instant message with a 311 staff member.

Social Media













Website

mankatomn.gov

About Mankato's Annual Photo Contest

Everyone is welcome to participate by submitting original photos of Mankato. Photos must be taken in Mankato city limits within two years of the contest year. First and second place photos are framed for display at the Intergovernmental Center and featured on the City website. All photos may be used in City communication pieces and its website. Special thanks to Pat Christman, photographer with the Free Press for helping select the photos, and to SPX Sports/Quality 1-Hour Foto for sponsoring this year's contest.

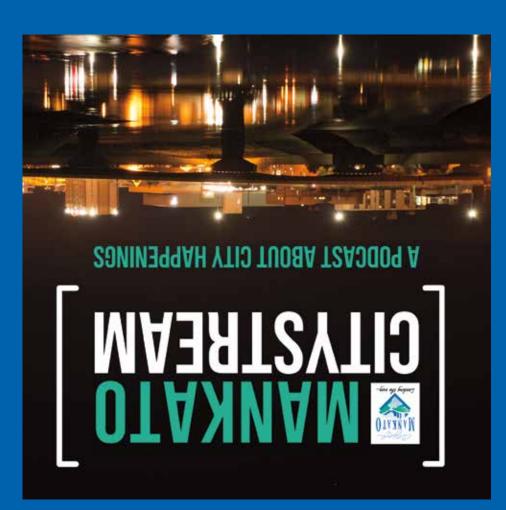
To enter the 2023 contest, include your name, address, photo caption, who took the photo, where the photo was taken and a telephone number with your entries by 4:30 p.m. the last Friday in August.

Mail to:

City of Mankato Public Information Office 10 Civic Center Plaza P.O. Box 3368 Mankato, MN 56002-3368

Email to: communications@mankatomn.gov mankatomn.gov/PhotoContest

2023 Calendar																											
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AND PUT WASTE IN THE RIGHT PLACE RECYCLE SM-RT

CONTAMINANTS TOP RECYCLING







Plastic bags



Leckcling bins. by keeping these items out of Help keep the recycling stream clean

DID LON KNOW?

recycled end up as garbage. reprocessing may reject them and items that could have been materials. As a result, those who purchase these items for recycling system, they contominate reusable goods and When non-recyclable materials and garbage enter the

HOW YOU CAN HELP

J. Recycle clean bottles, cans, paper and cardboard. help you and follow these three basic rules to recycle right: reducing contomination. For recycling best practices, help us ot gets taif edt si deort edt ni beseot si todw to lutbnim gnieß

3. Avoid bagged recyclobles and plastic bags. Recycloble 2. Keep food and liquid out of the recycling.

items should be loose in the cart.

WHY RECYCLING IS IMPORTANT

naterials rather than from new materials. Increases the opportunity to create items from recycled Clean recycling:

 Reduces the carbon footprint in comparison to using energy, produces less air and water pollutants. Decreases greenhouse gas emissions by using less

is and isn't recycloble, residents can do their part to reduce By making small changes and being thoughtful about what

necycling contamination.



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